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STORY OF MURDER STIRS COUNTY OFFICERS TO IMMEDIATE ACTION

Question Now as to Precise Method in Which John Collins Met Death

ROSCOE SCENE OF AFFAIR

Woman Arrested Here Accuses Former Friend of Striking Collins With Black Jack, Although She Admits Car Hit Him.

Whether John Collins, late of Coal Center, met his death while tresspassing on tracks of the Pittsburg-Charleroi Railways line at Roscoe Thursday, December 30, or whether he was murdered is a problem county officers are today trying to solve. Sensational stories told by a woman known as Marie Hamilton, alias Marie Porter upon her arrest Friday night as a disorderly character led to a re-opening of the Collins' case this morning by Coroner James T. Heffran. The result was that District Attorney Isaac W. Baum was notified of the developments and that County Detective William McCleary was detailed to the work of investigation.

The woman was arrested at a third street house in company it is said with a man. She blamed another woman known as Nell Henderson for her trouble, and because of that told a story of Collins being subjected to an attack by a certain Jack Barney, better known as "Big Jack". This is the story now being investigated. "Big Jack" is in the lockup here.

The story told by Marie Hamilton was that she and another woman, purported to be Nell Henderson were with Collins and "Big Jack" on the night Collins met his death. They were on their way to a certain house, when some sort of a disagreement occurred between the two men. Marie said "Big Jack" put his hand toward his hip pocket, but that she persuaded him to not do anything rash. However in a second more she says he pulled out a blackjack and almost before she and the other woman knew it had struck Collins. She and her friend fled. She states that Collins was hit later by a car so it would seem doubtful just what caused his death.

Coroner Heffran secured testimony from the woman at the police station this morning, and then she was taken by the coroner and County Detective McCleary to Roscoe to point out the scenes she refused here to describe. She succeeded at noon in pointing out about the exact location that Collins met his death, proving that in certain particulars her knowledge of the case was correct. She says her reason for informing was that Nell Henderson had her arrested.

Whether the body of Collins will be exhumed and a post mortem examination made remains to be decided. "Bib Jack's" story is now being investigated. He stoutly maintains that he was in Donora the night the affair occurred, and claims he can prove his innocence of any connection with the affair.

From the first the Collins' death has seemed mysterious. The coroner's inquest was held on Wednesday of this week, when a decision was reached that Collins had met death as a result of injuries received while

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DEATH AND DEVASTATION IN THE WAKE OF YOUNGSTOWN RIOT

Strikers and Police Clash With Probably Fatal Results—Liquor Contributing Cause.

Fifteen persons were wounded, most of them probably fatal, in a clash between workmen and company policemen at the plant of the Youngstown Sheet and Tube company, East Youngstown, Friday evening. Flames started by the rioters had inflicted losses estimated at $300,000 at midnight and the town of East Youngstown, where the steel plant is located, was threatened with destruction, with a frienzied mob, crazed by liquor, in control. Three regiments of the National guard have been ordered to the scene, but they did not arive until this morning.

Shortly before midnight ringleaders of the mob broke into a freight car containing 500 pounds of dynamite belonging to a local contractor, removed the dynamite and started toward the residential part of East Youngstown, yelling: "We'll blow it to h—"

C. R. Newcomer's show windows for shoe bargains. 174-t1.

MOVIE PRICES MAY GO HIGHER

Cost of Film and Developing Materials Has Advanced Greatly of War

IMPORTATIONS ARE STOPPED

A tremendous increase in the prices of chemicals and supplies used by photographers may cause an increase in the cost of having one's picture taken. A drug and chemical salesman expressed a prediction that if the famine is not relieved, motion picture prices may rise from 10 to 15 cents.

The cost of film has increased 35 per cent because of the war stopping importations and some of the chemicals used in developing have reached top-level prices. Metol, which used to retail at $6 a pound is now up to $35; acetic acid, which comes from Italy and France, is now practically out of the market; hydrochinon is almost as scarce. Photographers can use other chemicals for hydronchinon, but metol is absolutely necessary in their work. Printing paper just recently advanced another 15 per cent.

When it is considered that for each thousand feet of motion picture film another thousand feet is necessary for printing each negative and that each section of film must be developed and toned, an idea of the enormous amount of chemicals used may be obtained.

2 pairs of shoes for the price of one at Newcomer's 174-t1

ONE MAN MAY DIE AS THE RESULT OF FIGHT

Boarder and Boarding Boss Drink, Quarrel and Battle--Prodan Claimed to Have Assaulted Souchka With Chair

Mike Souchka, aged 46 years, residing near Daisytown in East Pike Run township, was probably fatally injured by John Prodan, a boarder in the Souchka home, during a fight between the two men Friday morning. Souchka's skull is fractured and he has been in an unconscious condition since falling under Prodan's final blow. It is believed he will die. Prodan was captured.

It is alleged in the information against Prodan, made today before Justice of the Peace E. C. Eckles by John Petrozi, who lives in an adjoining house, that Prodan had been on too intimate terms with Souchka's wife and that Prodan attempted to take the life of Souchka in order to get his wife.

Souchka, Prodan and several other boarders were celebrating the Christmas season at the time of the fight. Liquor of various kinds was running freely and it was after the men had imbibed a considerable amount of the alcoholic beverage that the near tragedy occurred. It is averred that Prodan began a quarrel with Souchka then picked up a chair and broke it over Souchka's head. He then seized one of the rungs of the chair and continued to beat his victim on the head.

While her husband was undergoing the punishment that will probably result in sis death, Mrs. Souchka, it is said, looked calmly on and made no attempt to aid her husband.

COMPLICATION OF DISEASES CAUSES THE DEATH OF WOMAN

After suffering for ten months with a complication of diseases, Mrs. Lois Afton Roberts, wife of William A. Roberts, died at her home at California Friday at the age of 31 years. Funeral services will be held at the late home Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in charge of the Rev. A. W. Renton, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church. Interment wil lbe in Highland cemetery.

The daughter of the late Thomas and Hannah Afton, Mrs. Roberts was born at Elizabeth, December 18, 1884. In the spring of 1895, she removed to California with her parents. In 1901 she was united in mariage with William A. Roberts, who, with two children, Madaline and William A. Roberts Jr., survives. There also survive two sisters, Mrs. Harry Mills and Mrs. Harry Ghist, of California.

Mrs. Roberts was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and was one of the well known young women of that place.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the firm that formerly done business under the name of Fred W. Brady has been incorporated and will transact business in the future under the name of the Charleroi Union Realty Co. Following are the officers: Fred W. Brady, president and manager; John Monier, vice president and H. A. Assenant, secretary and treasurer. Mr. Brady thanks all of his patrons for their past patronage and solicits same for the Charleroi Union Realty Co. They will continue to do business at the old stand at 502 Fallowfield avenue until their new quarters are completed on or about April 1st at 600 Fallowfield avenue. 173-t2—*

You should attend to your eyes in time. Delay is costly, we will tell you truthfully whether you need glasses or not. Examination free of charge by graduate optometrist. John B. Shafer. 172-tf—*

Royal Arcanum Euchre.

January 10 at 8 p. m. in Odd Fellows Hall on third flood of Bank of Charleroi building. Favors on display at Schafer's Jewelry store. All welcome. Tickets 25 cents. 173-t1—*

DR. EASTMAN, WELL KNOWN HERE, DIES AT WEST PENN HOSPITAL

Dr. Henry Eastman, aged 42, died last night in the West Penn Hospital. He was born in Merrittstown and he was 18 years old he went to Princeton, from which he was graduated, and he later entered Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. Immediately after graduation he was appointed a surgeon for the Northern Pacific Railroad at Missouri, Mont., where he remained for two years. He then went to South Brownsville, where he was president of the Board of Health. He went from there to the West Penn Hospital. He was eye surgeon for the Carnegie Steel Company and a member of the staff of the West Penn Hospital. He was a thirty-second degree Mason, a member of the Duquesne Club and the Allegheny Medical Society. His widow, his mother, Mrs. Mary Eastman of Uniontown; and four sisters, Mrs. A. R. Struble of Masontown, Mrs. J. S. Hockney of Uniontown, Mrs. George Rothmell of Brownsville, survive. Dr. Eastman's death is the second in the family within two days. Last Wednesday A. R. Struble of Masontown, a brother-in-law, died of pneumonia. Dr. Eastman was known in Charleroi.

PROGRAM OF NEXT WEEK TO BE ONE OF MANY FEATURES

One of the best programs of the season has been arranged for the coming week at the Majestic theatre. Monday, Robert Warwick will enact the stellar role of "The Sins of Society" an excellent picture which points out the evils of the so called society class. "The Great Divide", a motion picture version of the play and the book of the same name. Another of the truly big features will be "Inspiration" which will be shown Wednesday. Other announcements include "Evidence" a Schubert feature for Thursday, "The Crimson Wing" and the first chapter of a new serial "The Girl and the Game" for Friday and "The Belived Vagabond" for Saturday.

The eye is one of the most particular and delicate organs of the body if you think you need glasses you should consult us at once. Examination free. John B. Schafer. 172-tf—*

ASSESSED VALUATION IN COUNTY RUNS WELL INTO THE MILLIONS

PROGRESSIVES TO RUN TEMPLE FOR SENATOR IN PENNSYLVANIA

Rehabilitation of Party Idea in Mind, According to Reports From Harrisburg.

According to men from various parts of the state who have been visitors to the state's capitol the last few days, Progressives in Western Pennsylvania are preparing to ask the nomination of Congressman Henry W. Temple, of Washington, for United States Senator as a means of facilitating the return to the party movement. This idea is said to have been formed in Pittsburg. Dr. Temple was elected to congress as a Progressive in the 1912 campaign to fill the term of the late William M. Brown, who had defeated him in 1914, but who died before many weeks had passed after the election.

BANKS OF STATE SHOW BIG GAIN

Commissioner of Banking, Smith, Reports Increase of $92,593,242

DEPOSITS ACCOUNTS MANY

The 498 trust companies, state chartered banks and saving institutions of Pennsylvania had resources of $1,371,283,193 on November 11, 1915, the time of the last call for statements, according to the advance sheet of the twenty-first annual report of the State Department of Banking, made public Friday night by Commissioner of Banking William H. Smith. These figures show a gain of $92,593,242 in resources as compared with the report made as of the same time in 1914.

The number of deposit acounts increased from 2,315,321 to 2,422,127 in the same period and deposits of almost every one of the classes, except state government deposits, show gain. The deposits subject to check in the trust companies alone show a gain of $61,000,000. Savings funds indicate increases in that branch running into millions.

BARACA CLASS OF MEN TO HOLD BOOSTER MEETING

The Baraca class, the large Bible class of men of the First Christian church, of which Rev. E. N. Duty is pastor, will hold a booster meeting at the lecture room of the church Thursday evening, January 13 at 7:30 o'clock. A splendid program of speeches upon Bible school work, music and literary entertainment, a business session and the election of officers will take place. At the close refreshments will be served. An address will be made by one of the leading Bible school experts from Pittsburg.

Total, According to Triennial Statement Just Filed is $122,268,913

CHARLEROI AMONG LEADERS

Houses and Lots Valuable Here—Washington Borough Runs Highest Of All, With Donora Second Fallowfield Township Figures High.

A total valuation in Washington county of $122,268,913 is shown by the triennial statement of assessors, which is being published by order of the county commissioners. Charleroi is up among the leaders. Several townships run high. The borough of Washington has of course the highest valuation, with Donora, the site of the immense steel mills of United States Steel corporation subsidiaries, being second.

In Charleroi, the report of Assessor J. L. Reeves shows the number of taxables is 2,259, with the value of occupations $232,925. The number of horses is 163 with their value $15,285. Fifteen cattle are reported in Charleroi, worth $530. The value of houses, lots and so forth is given as $3,335,525, and the total valuation as previously published $3,584,265. The value of mortgages, judgments and so forth held here is $205,750.

Washington's total valuation in its eight wards is $10,975,395 Donora's valuation is $4,880,513. Monongahela runs close behind Charleroi in valuation, with the total being $3,583,426.

In the county the township with the greatest valuation is Amwell with the aggregate value of taxable property being $4,800,000. This is due to large coal holdings there. Fallowfield township has a high valuation, $3,695,920.

At North Charleroi Assessor J. S. Rockwell's statement shows there are 448 taxables with the value of occupations $41,850, two horses valued at $100, 14 cattle valued at $310, a property valuation of $424,860 and a total valuation of $467,120. Judgments, mortgages and so forth held amount to $87,030.

MAJESTIC THEATRE

Monday—World
"THE SINS OF SOCIETY"
Robert Warwick
Tuesday—Lubin Big 4
"THE GREAT DIVIDE"
Ethel Clayton and House Peters
Wednesday—Mutual
"INSPERATION"
Audrey Munson
"NEAL OF THE NAVY"
Lillian Loraine
Thursday—Schubert
"EVIDENCE"
Lillian Tucker and Edroni August
Friday—Essany Big 4
"THE CRIMSON WING"
E. H. Calvert and Beverly Bayne,
6 Parts
The First Chapter
"THE GIRL AND THE GAME"
Saturday—Pathe Gold Rooster
"THE BELOVED VAGABOND"
Edwin Arden
174-t1.

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DISEASE FROM LIBRARY BOOKS

Widespread interest has been aroused by the order of the Chicago health authorities for the disinfection of the public library as a means of preventing the spread of disease through library books. In the opinion of Dr. John Dill Robertson, the germs of such communicable diseases as tuberculosis, scarlet fever, measles, etc., may linger in exposed books for three to five weeks, during which time they may give the ailments to people using them.

New York flatly disagrees with Chicago, remarks the Punxsutawney Spirit. The director of the New York public library says that in 25 years of experience as a librarian he has never known of a disease being caused by handling a book. The authorities of the city health department support him. "There is very little danger," says the head of the department's municipal laboratory "that books in a library will transmit infection. Such a thing would happen only under unusual circumstances." The department destroy books that it suspects of having been infected but points out that there is no satisfactory way of disinfecting a library, even if it were considered advisable, because thorough disinfection would destroy the books.

The testimony of men who handle old books continually is of special interest. A book dealer says: "I have been in the second-hand book business for thirty-three years and I was never sick therefrom, nor did I ever know of a case of infectious disease due to books." He refers to another second-hand book merchant who was in the business for more than fifty years without ever being sick. Another second-hand dealer gives similar testimony, adding that there seems to be something in printing ink that acts as a disinfectant."

All this evidence should be reassuring to citizens who fear to use public library book or books that other persons have handled, particularly when there is any sort of epidemic.

A FLYLESS CITY

According to a consular agent, Havana, Cuba is now entitled to be known as a flyless city. Both flies and mosquitoes are so rare at all seasons of the year that screens arenot necessary on doors and windows, says the Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.

Nobody ever suggested a fly-swatting campaign. And the reason. A policy of municipal cleanliness that has transformed the Cuban capital from one of the filthiest places on earth to a veritable spotless town. The immediate occasion for the original clean-up of Havana by United States officials was the elimination of yellow fever and other contagious diseases, but a collateral and by no means unimportant benefit was the banishment of insect pests, formerly regarded as an impossibility in such latitude. As indicating the general wide-awakeness of the public on this question, it is related that a police officer recently reported his discovery of a plan that apparently was a source of flies. It was a fruit resembling a fig, in which, he declared, larvae are to be found. The department of sanitation has taken up the matter and if it is convinced that the plant affords as a breeding place for insects an order will be issued for the destruction of all such plants in Havana and vicinity. Incidentally, the officer will be rewarded for his vigilance.

If municipal cleanliness will do away with flies, why cannot our modern cities be free from them through the application of scientific methods? What has been possible in Havana should not be beyond attainment here. "A clean city is a flyless city." Then we have no cities in the United States comparable with Havana, if this be the sole test.

Attention must be paid to Judge Gary's advice that the United States prepare for the end of the European war. He finds that in our present prosperous condition we are prone to believe our industrial condition impregnable. He reiterates the statement that with glittering promises we are entirely forgetful of the approaching problems of the future. He advises caution. It is true that with a full stomach we are less concerned about the next meal than we are with an empty stomach and similarly when our cup of prosperity is full we are unlikely to consider the possibility of someone spilling it. But as Judge Gary remarks the end of the war is coming, and when it does come, conservative, wise conduct of affairs will be most necessary. We must prepare for contingencies that we must realize are coming.

Fairmont, West Virginia, comes out with a revival of the old-fashioned notion that immunity from grip may be obtained by wearing sulphur in shoes. Imbued with that idea the town is being literally sulphurized and to hear them tell it the old grip is having the time of its life finding any sort of hold. They are just like the old-time farmer who used to wear a piece of copper in his boot to keep his feet from freezing. Whether the scheme worked or not nobody can say, but the farmer thought so. That's the point. Fairmont has convinced itself that the use of sulphur will help its cold and if it honestly thinks so, probably it will since imagination is a strong thing. But sulphuric treatment by the shoe route to prevent grip seems at the best a rather crazy idea.

A DECLINE IN GODLINESS

The University of Minnesota teaches its pupils to shoe horses, embalm bodies and bake bread, to say nothing of fitting graduates for many other lines of work, says the St. Paul Pioneer Press, but leaves them so ethically insensitive that they will lie to be on the football team, according to Dr. Richard Burton, of the University faculty, who spoke in Minneapolis before a meeting of the College Women's club.

"When I came here 17 years ago they had prayer every day at the university; now they have three and one-half minutes of prayer with other frills in chapel twice a week." Dr. Burton said. "It is kicking the heart out of the centre of education."

Bulletins have been issued by the Pennsylvania Railroad asking the public point blank what are the causes of lack of confidence in railroads. The public is invited to file answers to the question with the company. Every man's views will be give attention, with a view of the company acting upon the best suggestions toward improvement. This is the sort of thing the public will appreciate. It seems like being taken into confidence by a big business system. With the railroad it is bound to produce results of a nature that will be lasting, for the mere asking for the public's candid opinion of faults is bound to produce in itself the confidence that it is seeking.

Electric Sparks

Nothing is so peaceless as a peace movement.

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The trouble with our army is that too many people with nerve have too many ideas about its proper method of growth.

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Abe Martin says: "An optimist is a feller who believes that what is going t' be 'll be postponed."

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H. G. Wells, of England thinks Germany will be beaten but not crushed. Why the play with words, when the difference with Germany would be so little.

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The Faithful Old Topic.

At heart, the most of us are snobs,
And be we sage or clown,
When we talk most of "looking up,"
We're really looking down.

We scorn the cheap, can't get the rare.
And therefore earth is bored
By dusty-shod pedestrains
Who joke about the Ford.
—Philadelphia Star.

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Its queer the Democratic congress didn't recognize merit and anticipate the future by arranging pensions for next year's crop of Democratic leaders.

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Landsdale, Pa., claims a four year old prodigy who can play all the classics on the piano. Landsale must be strong on classic people, since the man responsible for that statement can easily claim title to being the classiest mixer of the solid truth this state knows.

Bits of Byplay

By Luke McLuke

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The Wise Fool.

"Truth," [illegible] with five [illegible] quoted the sage.

"Yes," responded the fool, "but it needs more use in time to get the number of the pay roll's machine."

Ouch!

[illegible]

Huh!

"It says here that Hitchcock announces that he will [illegible] to Mexico when that country is [illegible]," remarked the old fogy.

"Gosh!" exclaimed the grouch. "He must expect to live to be about 800 years old."

Toiled.

[illegible]

Paw Knows Everything.

Willie—Paw, who are the deserving poor?

Paw—Those who do not deserve to be, my son.

Giddap!

He said he loved her marble brow,
He proposed, and they were wedded;
She's lost her marble brow, and now
He finds she is hot headed.

Little Tragedies.

The man struck a match to see if the gasoline tank on his automobile was empty.

It wasn't.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The man speeded up to see if he couldn't beat the train to the crossing.

He couldn't.—Columbia State.

Here's That Hughes Again

Please give a few more of your vughes.
We know that you can it you chughes.
Why sit in a hough
When we haven't enough
Of the nughes that you ughes about Hughes?

—J. G.

Here She Is!

Mrs. Long Tong and children of Fairfield were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gracely, Sunday.—Exchange.

Lukewarm.

Wou'd make Luke McLuke awful hot
When flies around him swarm,
But that's about the only thing
We think would make Lukewarm.
—Zanesville (O.) Signal.

Is That So?

Dear Luke—This morning I saw a corn fed girl with a full face, yet she was perfectly sober.—Ida Drink.

We'll Park Her Name In the Bowling Alley.

D. F. M. forwards a letter to 'Senor Luke McLuke, Los Estados Unidos de America,' from Asuncion, Paraguay, and wants the club to admit Senora Innocencia Urdapillettay Zubizarretta de Villanauracilla of Gualeguayehu, Argentine Republic.

Think It Over, Fellers!

The teams had met twice previously and won each time, but on this occasion the result was reversed.—Ilford Recorder.

Things to Worry About.

The Kongo sheep does not grow any wool.

Names Is Names.

R. Fair lives at Londonderry, O.

Our Daily Special.

One good hitter beats a hundred good quitters.

Luke McLuke Says:

A man never has a very hard time thinking up some good excuse for staying away from church.

The president may imagine that he is somebody. But if he wants to see the government all he need do is watch a constable in a small town.

One night two plain stews met at a bar. One of them was getting stewed because he couldn't get the girl he wanted, and the other was getting stewed because he got the girl he wanted.

Another reason why a man has to think up a bunch of lies to explain why he was out so late is because he knows that his wife wouldn't believe the truth if he told it.

A man is always wanting money. But it is different with a woman. She is merely always wanting a lot of things that money will buy.

The ceremony by means of which their hearts are locked together is a very solemn and impressive affair. But it doesn't take a little 2 by 4 lawyer long to find the combination that will unlock them.

Lots of men who are vegetarians and great savers at home are t-boners and mushroomers and great spenders downtown.

A girl who has a shapely neck hides the rear of it with her hair. But when the back of a man's neck looks like a red scrub board he has his hair clipped so you can see it.

A man never realizes why getting married is called "hooking up" until after he gets a wife.

It makes a small boy mad to realize that the war in Europe has increased the price of almost everything but soap and castor oil.

HOTEL ATOP GRANITE HILLS

New Caravansary Has Been Established on the Most-Loved Peak of White Mountains.

Half a century ago Starr King pointed out that Mount Chocorua was the only mountain in the White hills of New Hampshire that is crowned with a legend. If a thoroughly well intentioned but as it seems to some at least a misdirected ambition is realized, that crown will soon be displaced by a more democratic institution in the shape of a house of public entertainment, the Boston Evening Transcript states. The recent September gale swept away the little inn that for twenty years or so had stood atop the southern shoulder of the mountain, at the foot of the towering cone. That house, though never an adornment to the mountain landscape was ever dear to all who climbed the peak, because of the whole-hearted type of unpretending hospitality dispensed by its veteran boniface. A more aspiring successor, with the indomitable energy of a thorough mountaineer, has laid his plans to build upon the topmost rocks of the peak itself where the house may shout its presence to the world at large.

It is safe to say that Chocorua is today the most-loved peak of all the Granite hills, admired by every beholder for the unique and striking beauty of its form, and delighted in by old and young who enjoy the mildly adventurous mountaineering all its crags afford. Notwithstanding all their harshness, the elements in all the ages have never marred the beauty of the mountain, but man, in spite of good intentions, has in a few years' time brought devastation to its forests and all but squalor to its most sacred places. And now the chieftain's curse bids fair to become somewhat less poetic and more tangible than a crowning legend.

IT WAS BAYONET OR NOTHING

British Soldier Bolted and Barred His Rifle's Magazine Before He Charged.

It lay just outside the parapet. Two days after we had taken the Lone Pine trenches, when there came one of the breathing intervals in that six days' counter-attack, someone noticed it and pulled it into the trench. It was on the extreme left-hand edge of the captured trenches, lying just as it had fallen in the red sunlight during the last hours of that fateful afternoon. The bayonet was broken off within an inch or two of the hilt. The magazine was full, but the cut-off was closed, the safety catch was pulled back and the whole rifle from the broken bayonet nearly to the butt was purple with blood. I do not know who he was nor where he fell, but that broken rifle spoke more clearly of his qualities than the most fulsome tombstone. The long-looked-for day had come, and they were going straight for the Turks with the bayonet. He was not going to spoil it with any rifle firing. He had bolted and barred his magazine—for him it was bayonet or nothing. If ever man went into it with a whole heart that man must have done so.—London Telegraph.

Retort Courteous.

Chairman Walsh of the industrial relations commission is used to holding his own with millionaires. They tell a story about a millionaire with whom he played a round of golf during one of his committee investigations last year.

It was on the millionaire's private course, and Mr. Walsh, teeing off, sliced the ball, which fell into a marsh.

"New ball, caddy," he said.

"But, Mr. Walsh," the millionaire remonstrated, 'aren't you going to look for that ball?"

"No, sir; I'm not," Mr. Walsh answered.

"But, Mr. Walsh," persisted the millionaire, "that ball cost 75 cents."

Mr. Walsh looked the millionaire in the eye and smiled.

"My dear sir," he said, "when I get to be as rich as you are maybe I'll be able to afford the time to look for lost golf balls. Caddy, put the new one here."

Jolly Optimist.

Lord Reading, at a dinner given in his honor in New York by Joseph H. Choate, was asked how long the war would last.

"It will last a great while or a little while, according as you are an optimist or a pessimist," said Lord Reading. "Let me tell you a trench story.

"Two soldiers were smoking under a tree somewhere in France.

"'This war will last a long time yet,' said the first soldier. 'Our company has planted rose bushes in front of our trench.'

"'Oh, you jolly optimists!' said the other. 'We've planted acorns in front of ours.'"

Hangs Dogs to Dodge Tax.

Tony Cochato outwitted an East Mahoning township assessor by placing his two dogs in sacks and hanging the sacks to the ceiling of his coalhouse. Believing the man owned dogs, the assessor made a thorough search of the property, but could not find them. When asked where the dogs were Cochato replied that he had hanged them.

The assessor left, and Cochato would have escaped the dog tax had he not been so pleased with the joke that he could not keep from telling it. —Indiana (Pa.) Dispatch to Philadelphia North American.

SUNDAY SERVICES AMONG CHURCHES

Luthern

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Preaching services at 11:00 with holy communion. Junior Luther League at 2:30 p. m. Senior league at 6:45. Vesper services at 7:00 with holy communion. All are cordially invited. C. P. Bastian, pastor.

Episcopal

St. Mary's church, Lookout avenue and Sixth street. Services for first Sunday after Epiphany as follows: School at 9:15, morning prayer with sermon at 11. Evensong with sermon 7:30. Boys' club Tuesday 7:30. Altar guild Thursday 7:30. Girl's sewing class Friday 4 p. m. The annual visit of Bishop Whitehead to confirm a class on Sunday, January 16, 11 a. m. Rev John Lyon, rector.

First Presbyterian

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Morning worship at 11. Sermon by the pastor and the celebration of the Lord's supper. Junior C. E. at 2:30 p. m. Teacher training at 6:30 p. m. Senior C. E. at 7 p. m. Evening worship at 7:30. Sermon by the pastor subject: "The Morning Cometh." The missionary society will meet wit U. S. Orange on Third street, Tuesday evening, January 11th at 7:30. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30. You are cordially invited to attend these meetings. Strangers are especially welcome. A. J. Whipkey, pastor.

Washington Avenue Presbyterian

Sabbath school at 9:45. Preaching at 11. Sermon, "A Solemn Question." Jr. C. E. at 2:30, leader, Miss Elizabeth Smith. Sr. C. E. at 6:30, Topic, "Why Join the Church." Preaching at 7:30, sermon, "A Sure Reward." Strangers and those without a church home are cordially invited to worship with us. Rev. John R. Burson, pastor.

Baptist

Bible school at 9:45 a. m. Worship at 11:00 a. m. Sermon topic, "The People of Jerusalem Taken by Surprise." A congregational meeting will be held Young People's meeting at 6:30 p. m. Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Wright in charge Evening worship at 7:30 p. m., topic, "What is the Object of Our Love?" Evangelistic meetings each evening this week. Speakers as follows: Monday, Rev. A. J. Whipkey, Tuesday, Rev. Arthur Gee, Wednesday, Rev. H. C. Cleiss, Thursday, Rev. Arthur Gee, Friday, Rev. W. S. Carson. W. G. Carl, minister.

First Christian Church

Fallowfield avenue near Sixth street. Bible school at 9:45 a. m. Lord's supper and preaching at 10:50 a. m. subject, "The Peril of False Security." Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. Subject, "Why Join the Church?" Evening worship at 7:30 p. m. Subject, "The Inward Desire." Wednesday prayer meeting at 7:30 p. m. Teacher training class following. All strangers to our city are cordially invited to the services of our downtown church. This is the people's church. You are welcome. Come. Rev. E. N. Duty, pastor.

Methodist

Morning service at 10:45. Reception of members and holy communion. Evening service at 7:30. Subject of sermon "The Search for the Holy Grail. Sunday school at 9:30. Junior Epworth league at 6:30. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Rev. W. G. Mead, Ph. D., pastor.

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Stockholders Meeting.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of The First National Bank will be held at its Banking House, Charleroi, Pa., Tuesday, January 11, 1916 at 2 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and transacting any other business which might properly come before them.

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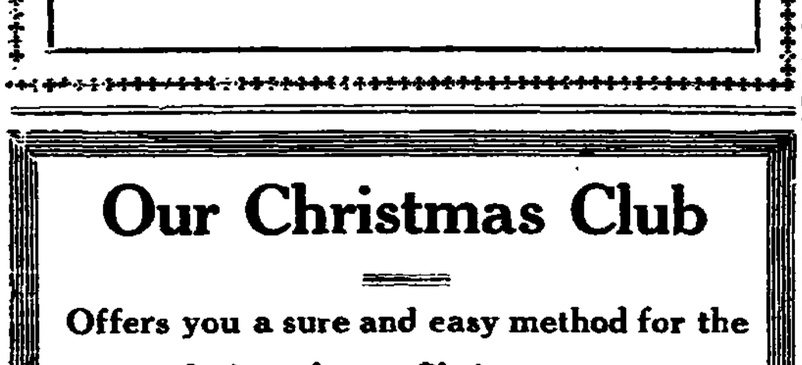

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AT THE OWL

By SHERWOOD GRANT.

Winnie stepped out on the broad, old-fashioned porch and looked at the house that was to bring them all plenty of ready cash, if not a fortune. It was all they had left that seemed tangible. They had been left to the care of an uncle after their parents' death, and only the house up at Medbury remained after the passing of Uncle George

Georgia, named for her uncle hopefully, had fixed on the solution. They were on the post road. They would turn the old house into the coziest of tearooms, a sort of inn of happiness, and, since an old owl appeared to be its sole tenant, they caught the bird, stuffed it after it had given up the ghost, and bestowed its name and symbol on the new venture for luck.

"I think I hear a car," Winnie's head was raised in expectancy.

The car came into view, turned into the drive under the two big elms and drew up before the porch steps. Two young men sprang out. They seemed worried and excited.

"How do you do, ladies?" one said, raising his cap. "We've had an accident. Would it be possible for us to get shelter here and some sort of medical help?"

Alice rose to the emergency at once.

"Bring your friend right in," she called, and led the way into the sitting room across the hall, where it was quiet.

"We were making up time on that last stretch of road," explained Madison King, the car's owner. "My friends are visiting me over at King's Rest, my mother's place. We struck a fallen tree the lightning must have hit, just below the gully, and it tipped the car nearly over and flung Tom out. Could I phone my mother, too, from here, please?"

"Well, of all things," ejaculated Winnie, in a deep, cautious whisper out in the kitchen King's Rest was the one place of interest around Medbury.

Paul Lampton was the third in the party. Georgia told the other girls he was a well-known writer. The doctor rode over from the village and at once began his examination of Tom Bowen, a cousin of the Kings. Just as he emerged with a favorable diagnosis, Mrs. King's handsome dark blue limousine turned into the little driveway. The Owl was very busy apparently.

"He can't be moved for a week anyway, but he's all right," the doctor said, briskly. "The girls will look after him, I know, Mrs. King. I'll send a nurse."

"I haven't been here in years," said Mrs. King; "not since before my marriage. Perhaps you do not know that I was your mother's maid of honor at her marriage here? I was very fond of her. This one seems to have her eyes and voice, but you have her manner."

Georgia flushed happily, and Winnie was all aglow.

"Maybe we have, but I assure you, Mrs. King, Alice has her sweet disposition," Georgia said radiantly.

It was a wonderful week that followed Tom recovered with suspicious slowness, the nurse declared. He fairly luxuriated in his dainty meals and the attention of the three hostesses. Madison and Lampton rode over daily with flowers and books, all manner of things, supposedly for the invalid, but some way they remained out in the sitting room for the girls to enjoy.

As soon as he was able to be moved there came a check from his father that the girls eyed doubtfully.

"I think," said Winnie judiciously, "that we should be altruistic in this. He was our guest. Can't the Owl afford a private guest, girls?"

It appeared that the Owl could. The check was returned with the sweetest of notes, and Colonel Bowen came down in person from Boston to meet the three Graces who disdained mere pelf, as he put it. There ensued such a series of motor parties and visits up at King's Rest that the girls declared the Owl would need a guardian if they did not give up such frivolity and attend to business. But the autumn days slipped away into the early winter and Mrs. King took them under her wing completely. Madison and Winnie found many errands back and forth to attend to for her, and Tom declared that he'd never get well unless he could have Alice to keep an eye on his diet.

Her sisters announced their engagement almost in the same breath one day up at King's Rest, but Georgia was oddly silent.

Lampton had departed for New York the previous week. Somehow the other girls felt that Georgia, temperamental, whimsical Georgia, had lost her hold on romance.

One day the three girls were returning from King's Rest. As they approached the Owl tearoom they found a man sitting on the steps reading a newspaper.

"It's Paul Lampton," cried Winnie. "Why, the idea!"

"Oh, Georgia," whispered Alice, "I almost hated our happiness when you seemed left out, don't you know, dear?"

"You needn't," laughed Georgia. "I've felt guilty because Paul and I went away one day, a month ago, and were married. We've got to ask your forgiveness."

"Well, I thought the owl was Minerva's bird," said Winnie, "but it appears to be Cupid's pet dove."

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BLUE BEARS BY ACCIDENT

Philadelphia Zoo Gets Rare Animals From Tibet—Only Ones in America.

There arrived in New York last February the final shipments of large wild animals, as the war has completely paralyzed the trade, of which the Germans controlled about 75 per cent. In this shipment were several young bears, which were sent over as Russian brown bears, Ursus arctos. Two of these, a male and a female, were acquired by the Philadelphia Zoological society. When they arrived at the gardens it was at once noticed that they were in many characteristics entirely different from any known variety of their supposed type, which rarely shows variations. On the other hand, they corresponded in every noticeable particular with the Tibetan blue bear described by Blyth.

As the animals were still very young, it was not possible at that time to identify them, nor was it possible to ascertain where they were captured. Since they have been here, however, they have grown sufficiently to determine beyond reasonable doubt that they are Tibetan bears. Their most striking characteristic is their white-tipped, blackish hair, which gives their fur a hoary appearance and imparts a light bluish tinge. This is never known to occur in any other old world bears.

And so, by the merest chance, the Philadelphia zoo made the most important acquisition in years, and these two blue bears from Tibet, Ursus bruinosus, are the only specimens in the United States. As far as is known, they are the only ones that have ever reached an American collection. Their habitat is Tibet, in the neighborhood of Llasa.

Deadly War Engine.

Some time ago a St. Paul (Minn.) man produced a wireless electric machine by means of which he says he flashed dogs and rabbits to death at a distance of over 100 feet. When English and French officers refused to consider it for use in the war he says he turned it over to the German army. He believes it is now being used by the Germans in killing their enemies and in setting off powder stations.

Worked Both Ways

Dibbles—What are you doing now?

Scribbles—Running a society paper.

Dibbles—Well that ought to be a winning proposition Lots of people are willing to pay to see their names in print.

Scribbles—Yes; but I get more out of those who don't want to see their names in print.

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Spanking does not cure children of bed-wetting. There is a constitutional cause for this trouble. Mrs. M. Summers, Box W, Notre Dame, Ind., will send free to any mother her successful home treatment, with full instructions. Send no money, but write her today if your children trouble you in this way. Don't blame the child—the chances are it can't help it. This treatment also cures adults and aged people troubled with urine difficulties by day or night.

CLERK'S NOTICE

Following is a list of applications for Liquor Licenses to sell at Retail, Wholesale, Wholesale as Brewer and Wholesale as Distiller as filed in this office.

Supplemental Petitions for and against the granting of license may be filed in this office before 5 o'clock P. M., Monday, January 31, 1916.

License Court will convene in Court Room No. 1, February 7th, 1916, at 1 o'clock P. M., Hon. J. A. McIlvaine, P. J., presiding.

RETAIL

Georgianna Coles,	Charleroi
Arthur Day,	Charleroi
William R. Gaut	Charleroi
George M. Fellows,	Charleroi
George F. Rylands,	Charleroi
George L. West,	Charleroi
William H. Zellers,	Charleroi
C. F. Cardon, for Transfer,	Donora
John H. Bernarding,	Donora
Frank A. Coatsworth,	Donora
Frank H. Meyer,	Donora
William Phenniecie,	Donora
James M. Purcell,	Donora
W. W. Reed,	Donora
W. B. Risbeck,	Donora
Thomas Madigan,	East Bethlehem Twp
Frank J. Zwick,	East Bethlehem Twp
James E. Hayden,	Finleyville
John J. Zwick,	Finleyville
Davidson & Klein,	Marianna
H. H. Clayson, Sr.,	Monongahela, Third Ward
Alfred L. Dievart,	Monongahela, First Ward
Theodore J. Eckbreth,	Monongahela, Second Ward
Otto P. Glasser,	Monongahela, Second Ward
Peter & Susanna Lazzari,	Monongahela, Second Ward
Charles G. Simon,	Monongahela, First Ward
B. Frankle,	McDonald
F. A. Thomassy,	McDonald
Louis Voye,	McDonald
Jacob Will,	McDonald
Addison S. Abbott, et al.,	New Eagle
John G. Noble,	New Eagle
Thomas Parry,	Union Twp.
William Coulson,	Roscoe
A. H. Furlong,	Roscoe
Cornelius O'Shea & Peter McKeown	Stockdale
William E. Bruce,	Stockdale
C. Linn Colbert,	Smith Twp.
Mathias J. Engel, Jr.,	W. Brownsville
Peter N. Miller,	W. Brownsville
James A. Provins,	W. Brownsville
John T. Starr,	W. Brownsville

WHOLESALE

Harry B. Hayden,	Monongahela, Second Ward
Andrew Muchka & Michael Redic,	Donora

WHOLESALE AS BREWER

Acme Brewing Co	Bentleyville
Crescent Brewing Co.,	Washington
Washington Brewery	Washington
Donora Brewing Co.,	Donora
Independent Brewing Co.,	Charleroi
Independent Brewing Co.,	Monongahela
Moose Brewing Co.,	Roscoe
Joseph S. Roth,	Carroll Twp.

WHOLESALE AS DISTILLER

E. A. Burson & John F. Boyd,	East Bethlehem Twp.
Julia A. Crawford,	Allen Twp.
E. Fred Emery,	East Bethlehem Twp.
Riverview Distilling Co.,	Carroll Twp.
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W. S. Lockhart, Clerk of Quarter Sessions.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. John K. Hein of Falowfield avenue was operated upon at the Mercy hospital at Pittsburg Friday, and is getting along as well as could be expected.

Adolph Beigel of New Kensington was a visitor here on business and to visit friends Friday.

Miss Bertha Chester of Monongahela was a caller in Charleroi Friday.

A. G. Lewis was a business caller in Uniontown Saturday.

Mrs. J. A. Dawes and son Lawrence of Pittsburg are spending the week end with the former's sister Mrs. A. F. Cook of Washington avenue.

Mrs. C. R. Perigrine, daughter Helen and nephew John Ellick of Washington avenue are visiting with relatives at Pittsburg.

Mrs. Clyde Regester visited with her parents Mr. and Mrs. David Woodward of Monongahela Friday.

Look at the shoe bargains in Newcomer's window. 174-t1

Free Library Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Charleroi Free Library association will be held on Monday evening, January 10 at 7 o'clock. The association is asking those having books to donate to bring them to the library. Dues are also asked to be paid.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, of Charleroi, at Charleroi, in the State of Pennsylvania at the close of business, December 31, 1915:

No. 4534.

RESOURCES.

1. a	Loans and discounts (except those shown on b)	$858,967.28	
	Total loans		$858,967.28
2.	U. S. bonds:		
a	U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)	$40,000.00	
c	U. S. bonds pledged to secure postal savings deposits (par value)	5,000.00	
	Total U. S. bonds		45,000.00
4.	BONDS, SECURITIES, ETC.		
b	Bonds other than U. S. bonds pledged to secure postal savings deposits		3,000.00
c	Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged		5,003.85
	Total bonds, securities, etc.		53,003.85
5.	Stocks, other than Federal Reserve Bank stock		15,169.22
6.	Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank	$10,500.00	
a	Less amount unpaid	5,250.00	5,250.00
7.	b Equity in banking house		35,699.55
8.	Furniture and fixtures		
9.	Real estate owned other than banking house		27,320.75
10.	Net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank		21,665.30
11. a	Net amount due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis	$12,429.56	
b	Net amount due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	71,005.01	83,435.56
12.	Net amount due from banks and bankers (other than included in 10 or 11)		9,517.26
14.	Other checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank		6,358.50
15. b	Fractional currency, nickels, and cents	$268.45	268.45
16.	Notes of other national banks		3,100.00
18.	Coin and certificates		39,571.30
19.	Legal tender notes		8,500.00
20.	Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer		2,000.00
	TOTAL		$1,249,876.33

LIABILITIES

24.	Capital stock paid in		$ 50,000.00
25.	Surplus fund		125,000.00
26.	Undivided profits		92,258.09
27.	Circulating notes outstanding		30,000.00
30.	Due to banks and bankers (other than included in 28 or 29)		7,986.10
31.	Dividends unpaid		1,570.00
	DEMAND DEPOSITS		
32.	Individual deposits subject to check		546,916.92
37.	Postal savings deposits		5,609.31
	Total demand deposits, Items 32 and 37	552,415.23	
	TIME DEPOSITS (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice:)		
40.	Certificates of Deposits		30,148.56
42.	Other time deposits		870,973.01
	Total of time deposits, Items 40 and 42	391,116.87	
	TOTAL		$1,249,876.33

State of Pennsylvania, County of Washington, ss:

I, R. H. RUSH, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

R. H. RUSH, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of January, 1916.

MINNIE B. RICHARDSON, Notary Public.

My commission expires Feb. 14th, 1917

CORRECT—Attest
DAVID M. McCLOSKEY
SAMUEL GALBRAITH
GEO. S. MIGHT
Directors

CHARLEROI HIGH WINS EASILY FROM MUNHALL

Charleroi high school's basketball squad enjoyed an evening of trying out players at the expense of Munhall high school Friday evening at the high school auditorium winning a one-sided game by the score of 59 to 22. It was simply a runaway for the local boys, who had no trouble whatever.

The game was the opening one for the Charleroi high school boys, and victory came too easy to talk about. The first half ended with the score 30 to 14. Then Charleroi started putting in substitutes, and the score continued to roll up all the same. Twenty-nine scores were tallied by the locals in the last half to the nine of the visitors.

Practically all the aspiring basketballers of Charleroi high got a chance for a try-out. Lineup:

CHARLEROI—59		Munhall—22
Fiedler	F	Mathieson
Lowstuter	F	H. Krane
Ryland	C	Johnson
Stahlman	C	Martin
Miksch	G	Donahue

Substitutions—Eagye for Fiedler, Riva for Lowstuter, Dickson for Ryland, Piersol for Miksch, Monack for Eagye, Hill for Dickson, L. Lowstuter for Piersol, Dickson for Stahlman, Manon for L. Lowstuter, Pollock for Dickson, C. Krane for H. Krane, Lessig for Martin. Field goals—Fiedler 2, Eagye 4, C. Lowstuter 2, Riva 2, Ryland 6, Stahlman 4, Manon, Pollock, Mathieson, Donahue. Goals from foul—Fiedler 8 of 10, Eagye 2 of 5, Riva 1 of 2, Donahue 14 of 28. Referee—Wagner.

PRIVATE FUNERAL TO BE HELD FOR THOMAS ELLIOTT

Private funeral services for Thomas Rodney Elliott, the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Elliott of Monessen will be held Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the home of the child's grandfather, Thomas Elliott at 206 Prospect avenue. The services will be private on account o fthe illness of Thomas Elliott, Sr., Rev. J. R. Burson of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church will conduct the services. Interment will be in the Maple Creek cemetery.

REFUTES THE CANAL THEORY

Member of British Astronomical Association Takes Issue With Scientists Concerning Mars.

According to the report on the 1909 opposition of Mars, published by the "section for the observation of Mars" of the British Astronomical association, under the direction of E. M. Antoniadi, "the alleged existence of a geometrical network of canals on Mars has received a lasting and unanswerable confutation." Mr. Antoniadi had the advantage of using on Mars the great Meudon refractor, the most powerful telescope in the Old World. In working with smaller instruments he himself had, like other observers, obtained frequent glimpses of narrow, straight lines, but in the Meudon instrument these lines were seen only when the definition was bad and the image of the planet "flaring." With good seeing, a complex natural structure of the so-called "continental" regions of the planet was revealed, a variety of irregular bands and shadings, replacing the sharp, narrow lines drawn by Schiaparelli, Lowell and others. Mr. Antoniadi pronounces the geometrical lines, and also the doubling of the lines, mere optical illusions, and presents a large number of his own drawings side by side with those made of the same regions by Schiaparelli and Lowell, in support of this contention. He notes that the markings which Schiaparelli only glimpsed with his modest 8½ inch refractor were held quite steadily in the 32¾-inch refractor at Meudon.—Scientific American.

INDISCRETION COST HIM LIFE

Ambassador "Talked Too Much," and the Result Was Unpleasant for Himself and Others.

In a "History of the Turks," Chalcondylas, a Greek, relates how a fleet of crusaders sailing toward Constantinople in the beginning of the thirteenth century, was becalmed at the entrance of the Heliespont. At that time there was at the court of Athens an ambassador of the king of France, who set out in a galley to visit the chiefs of the fleet. The admiral confided to him that he had been ordered to take Constantinople by surprise. The ambassador spoke of the difficulties and dangers of this passage, as it was between two banks from which ballistae could hurl upon the vessels enormous stones, boiling oil, and, above all, Greek fire. The admiral revealed to him that the governors of the forts would make little resistance, as they had been bribed. The envoy was so pleased that as soon as he had returned to land he had great trouble to hold his tongue. He was heard to prophesy in mysterious words that the famous passage would soon be forced. As there were spies on all sides, the words of the ambassador were soon carried to Constantinople. When the fleet presented itself in the Hellespont the catapults of the Turks manifested great activity. The bribed captains of the forts had been removed and others were in their places. The indiscreet ambassador was recalled to Paris and executed.

The Gurkha's Charge.

That the Indian troops not only respect but love their officers is illustrated in the following humorous story from T. P.'s Journal:

A young English subaltern had just arrived at the front, and his superior officers, who were not at all sure of him, gave an old Hindu soldier of his regiment orders to keep his eye on him. The Indian was very proud of his trust, and looked after the young fellow as if he had been his own son although he was always perfectly respectful and obedient.

Then, one afternoon, the German across the way started a violent bombardment. Carried away by his feelings, the boy jumped up and exposed himself unnecessarily to their fire. The Gurkha immediately pulled him back, pushed him to the floor of the trench, and sat on him! The young Englishman struggled to rise, but the Gurkha sat tight.

"Not yet, sahib," he cried, "not yet!"

And it was not until the colonel gave the order to charge that the conscientious Hindu allowed his prisoner to rise, saluted him respectfully, and charged the enemy trenches at his side.

Treasure Ship Ready.

The staunch old whaler Jeanette is receiving a coat of paint and a powerful engine is being added to her equipment in the Pacific shipyard at Alameda Point, Cal. The Jeanette, for a long time, has lain idle, but now she is going to sail again on a long expedition to the South seas. She will carry adventurers to Cacos island to search for fabulous treasures thought to have been hidden by "Red Jacinto," a pirate chieftain.

The party is to be headed by Capt James Brown of Portland, Me., and is composed of business men from Springfield, Mo., and Kansas City, who have formed a syndicate to finance the expedition. They will leave Oakland, Cal., in a few days.

Wood Pulp Substitute for Cotton.

A German chemist is working on a process which is expected to make wood pulp available as a substitute for cotton in the manufacture of high power explosives. The pulp is prepared and made into sheets much the same as in the manufacture of paper. The only difficulties yet remaining arise from the fact that the material contains impurities which make the explosive uncertain and highly dangerous to handle.

MUCH ANTICIPATION IN BIG BOXING SHOW HERE

Much anticipation is felt in what promises to be the biggest boxing show ever held here to be featured at the rink tonight. The main bout will be a mill between Johnny Ray and Matt Gorman, both Pittsburg featherweights. Both men have been working hard for this battle, which may have a bearing on the Pennsylvania championship.

In the semi-final Digger Stanley of Charleroi and Eddie Nevil of Donora, middleweights, will meet, Lewis Thames of Webster and Bart Maginness of Roscoe are down for the second bout, and Charley Kuhn of Fayette City and Young Vezetti of Charleroi will meet in the opener.

Look at the shoe bargains in Newcomer's window. 174-t1.

CHARLEROI BABES WIN FROM THE LYCEUM TEAM

The Charleroi Babes showed their class Friday night at the rink by defeating the St. Jerome's Lyceum five of the Monongahela Valley Basketball league by the score of 18 to 11. Owing to the fact that this was the first game for the Babes their passing and team work was not as good as the Lyceum, who played in their usual fine form. The foul shooting of Stark overcame difficulties. Lineup:

BABES—18		LYCEUM—11
Stark	F	Motts
Kiefer	F	Scheiler
Jules	C	Schafer
Donovan	G	Ludwig
Larue	G	Lentz

Substitutes—McGuire for Larue, Girard for Motts. Field goals—Stark 3, Kiefer 2, Lentz 3, Scheiler. Fouls—Stark 8 of 10, Scheiler 3 of 16. Referee—Messonnier.

Big shoe sale at Newcomers. 174-t1

STORY OF MURDER

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trespassing on the tracks of the Pittsburg-Charleroi line at Foscoe. Previous to this his funeral had been held. The testimony brought out at the inquest was not of an important nature, and seemed to prove precisely the theories held until then of the cause of Collins' demise.

Meanwhile as the investigations are being continued the local police are dealing with a disorderly case, having information they believe of the operation for some time of a bad joint on Third street, where the arrests were made. They are digging deeply into the case with a view of cleaning out the alleged resort.

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FOR RENT—Storeroom. Inquire of Mrs. Sarah Allman, Allman Hotel, Bentleyville. 169-t6-p.

FOR SALE—Meat market equipment. Inquire 1003 1-2 Crest avenue, Charleroi. 172-t3—p

FOR SALE—Four roomed house on the edge of town. Bargain if sold within the next two weeks. Inquire at office of John C. McKean. 172-t3

FOR RENT—Unfurnished room, Inquire 627 Fallowfield avenue. 174- 3p

FOR SALE—Small farm, one seven room house and one four room house, both in good repair, good barn and other out buildings. Two cisterns and well of water on same, one house has furnace under it. Suitable for a chicken farm or truck gardening. Located within ten miles walk of Roscoe. Call or address J. A. Rankin, Roscoe, Pa. 173-t3-p.

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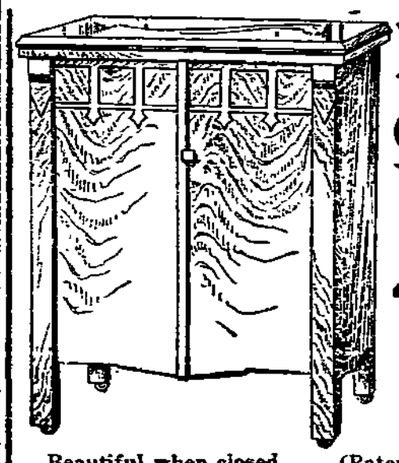

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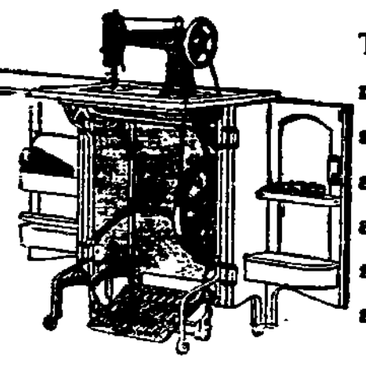

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